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Subject: RE: Check in before 2022 submittal

All sounds good. If you need to change the day/time due to other responsibilities, no problem. We can always reschedule.

I think we are supposed to hit 60 on Saturday! WHAT?!?! Good luck keeping the boys busy given the crappy weather. This has become a every weekend battle for us. What the heck are we going to do to occupy our kids and wear them out. We always start to run out of idea near the end of winter and we have hit that wall again...oh, well. It isn't a terrible problem to have in the grand scheme of things.

Be well

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Sent: Thursday, March 3, 2022 12:14 PM **To:** Proto, Paul proto.paul@epa.gov> **Subject:** RE: Check in before 2022 submittal

Hi, Paul,

Let's try Monday, 3/7 12:30-1:30. Hopefully I don't have to change that on you.

I think you answered my questions about priorities/bridge metrics so I got what I need for the time being.

Have a great week/weekend. I hope it stays warm for you. We're getting freezing rain Saturday – just the thing to spoil your late winter/early spring weekend!

Miranda

From: Proto, Paul proto.paul@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 2, 2022 10:25 AM

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Hi Miranda,

Thank you for the email and for reaching out. These are all good topics to discuss. I have been thinking of many of the topics you brought up, e.g., ATTAINS "final" steps yesterday etc. I know we are approx. 30 days out from wrapping things up on your end.

When you mention the 2022 Vision Priorities, are you referring to the 2022-2024 Bridge Metric? If yes, those priorities don't need to be submitted to R5 until 9/30/2022. So there is still some time on putting that list together and it doesn't have to be part of the April 1, 2022 finalizing the 2022 List responsibilities.

Unsure what the expectations are for the 2022-2024 Bridge Metric, what that looks like, how it will be submitted to R5 (e.g., should be somehow uploaded into ATTAINS?) I think we (EPA HQ and R5) are still working out some of those finer details. There are still a few moving pieces at this time.

I am flexible schedule-wise. Whatever works best for you. Tomorrow (3/3) is open except for the 12:30-2:00 time slot, next Monday (3/7) is open 9:30 AM-3:00 PM too.

Hope things are going well with your detail and your family doing ok too. We are getting a tiny taste of spring weather here today. I think we may even break 50 F!

Talk with you soon,

Paul

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Hi, Paul,

I am sure there will be more than a few things we'll need to check in on but here's a start.

I didn't see that Catherine sent you the stuff on Birch Lake but I assume she did. However, if not, just let me know

What do you know about our 2022 Vision Priorities? Meaning are we supposed to send them to you as a part of the 2022 IR submittal? Is there anything that needs to be done in ATTAINS?

Do you think it's time to check in? As of right now I have a couple spots open tomorrow, otherwise it'll be next week — which is fine except my schedule yet. I can say Monday's pretty good and that's about it right now. We can through something on the calendar but just know that I might have to move it.

Thanks! Miranda

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